



Madison Avenue (Cottage Grove Street to Adams Street) Reconstruction and Madison (Burton Street to Adams Street) Bicycle Lane Installation

The City of Grand Rapids is reconstructing Madison Avenue from Cottage Grove Street to Adams Street this construction season. The project is also restriping Madison Avenue from Burton Street to Adams Street to add bicycle lanes. You received this letter because you are within 350 feet of the project. Kamminga and Roodvoets is the contractor that will perform this work. We invite you to contact us at the number or e-mail address below with any questions.

As you are likely aware, health officials confirmed cases of COVID-19 in West Michigan. The City of Grand Rapids remains in contact with Kent County health officials, the State of Michigan, and the Federal Government. You can learn more about COVID-19, current advisories and actions you can take at the CDC Website ([cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov)) or locally through the Kent County Health Department ([accesskent.com/Health/coronavirus.htm](https://www.accesskent.com/Health/coronavirus.htm)). Contractors will follow the health and hygiene guidelines of the CDC, State and County health authorities.

Contact Information

311 or 616-456-3000

communityengagement@grcity.us

[grandrapidsmi.gov/roadconstruction](https://www.grandrapidsmi.gov/roadconstruction)

After-Hours Emergency Number

616-456-3249

Tentative Construction Schedule

Late March - July 2020

Construction Information

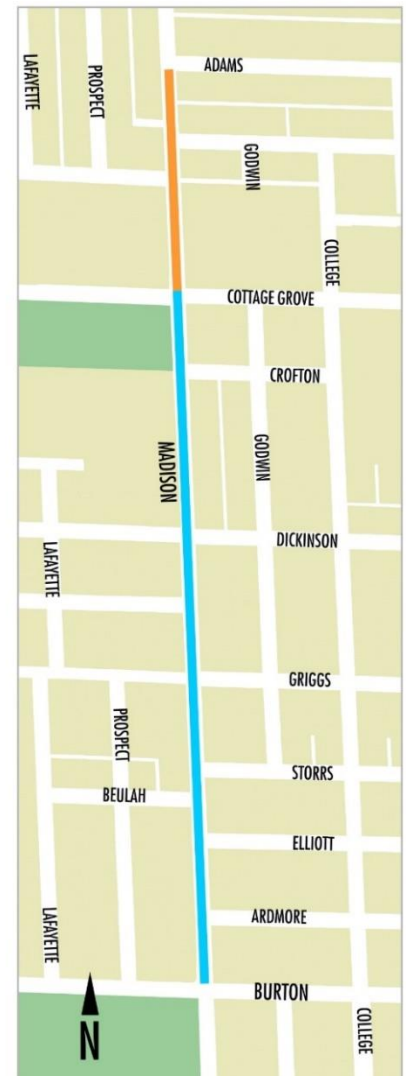
Madison Avenue (Cottage Grove to Adams Street)

Street Reconstruction

The street's full width will be reconstructed including the curb and gutter.

Water Main

- The water main, which provides water to properties along the street, will have minor upgrades.
- Lead water service lines that carry water from the main into residences will be replaced, if authorized by property owners. If the water service lines have already been replaced in the past then this does not apply to you. If your residence still has lead water service lines, the City's Water Department will contact you if they haven't already.
- For commercial or non-residential buildings with lead service lines, the City portion of the service lines into buildings will be replaced. The City's Water Department will contact you regarding the private portion of your service line, if needed.
- Typically, there will be two water shutdowns: once when the new main is placed in service (4 to 8 hours long) and another to connect individual water services for each property to the new main (2 to 4 hours long). There may be a third shut down to complete the final main switch. The contractor will provide notice 24 hours in advance.



- Occasionally, a water main may accidentally break during construction. If this should happen, you may not be notified, but repairs will be made as quickly as possible to restore your service.
- Following a water shutdown, calcified deposits may be dislodged by water pressure once the system is turned back on. Please run outside faucets first and then the faucets in all sinks to clear the lines. If some faucets are running slowly, it may be necessary to check the screens and clean off any debris.

Storm Sewer and Green Infrastructure

The project will make minor upgrades to the street's storm sewer system, which handles stormwater. Stormwater is rainwater or water from melting snow or ice. The stormwater system includes catch basins (the grates found periodically along curbs) that collect the water from the street and carry it into a main line.

Rain gardens, a form of green infrastructure, will be installed at the Madison Avenue intersections at Cottage Grove Street and Oakdale Street. Green infrastructure retains and soaks stormwater into the ground to filter pollutants and reduce runoff entering natural bodies of water.

Driveway Approaches and Sidewalks

- All driveway approaches and sidewalk will be replaced. Affected residents and businesses will not have access to their driveways for 5-7 days while the work is completed and the concrete cures. The contractor will coordinate with those affected in advance.
- The contractor will work with affected businesses to maintain driveway access as best as possible. This may include replacing half of the driveway approach at a time.
- Driveway access may not be available when road work is directly in front of a driveway.

Parkways and Street Trees

- Sidewalk, curb, and drive approach work may disturb the parkway (the area between the curb and sidewalk). Should this happen, the area will be restored with grass. Please water the area to help the grass establish.
- Property owners should remove plants, landscaping, etc. in the parkway they want to save prior to the start of construction.
- Property owners who have a sprinkler system are asked to mark their sprinkler heads with flags, sticks, or spray paint. Sprinklers that are broken during construction will be repaired.
- New street trees will be planted.

Access, Parking, and Detour Route

- The street will be closed to through traffic with local and emergency vehicle access maintained.
- No parking will be allowed on the street during construction hours.
- The detour will use Burton Street, Jefferson Avenue and Hall Street. Detour routes will be clearly marked.

Other Items

- Recycling and refuse service will be maintained but bins must be placed in their normal spots the night before collection day. Failing to do so may result in a missed collection. If needed, the contractor will move the bins to where they can be emptied and return them.
- Mail delivery will be maintained.
- Typical construction hours are from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Occasionally, work may be done on Sunday. Work hours are dependent on weather and the contractor's schedule.
- As part of the City's efforts to better manage stormwater, residents are encouraged to participate in a rain barrel workshop hosted by the West Michigan Environmental Action Council. Please visit wmeac.org/rainbarrels or call the Council at 616-451-3051 for more information.

Business Guide

As we work to improve the street, we understand that businesses are sensitive to construction. For this reason, we've created a guide containing information for businesses during construction. Please find this guide on our website, grandrapidsmi.gov/roadconstruction, or contact us to get a hard copy.

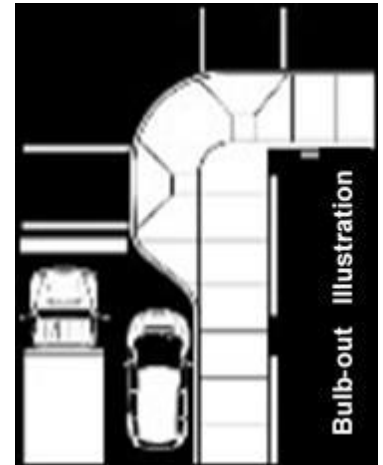
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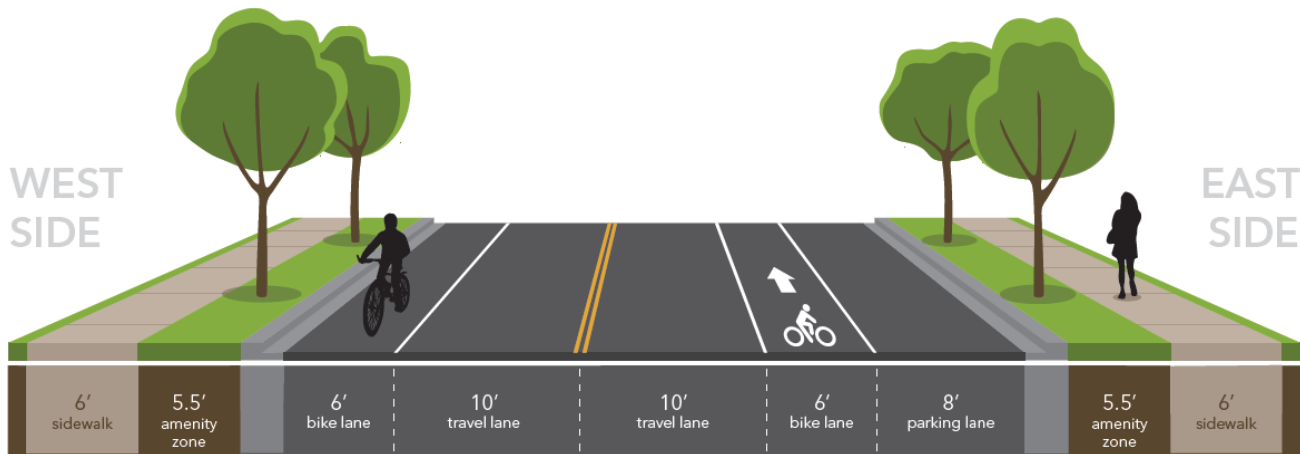
- Install bulb-outs on Madison Avenue at Cottage Grove and Oakdale streets to shorten the street crossing width for people walking, slow traffic speeds, provide room for rain gardens and better define parking spaces.
- Remove parking on the west side of Madison Avenue from Burton Street to Adams Street.
- Add bicycle lanes on both sides of Madison Avenue from Burton Street to Adams Street.

Please see the image below. The City's Vital Streets Plan and the Bicycle Action Plan designates Madison Avenue as a commuter bicycle route. These new bicycle lanes will connect to existing bicycle lanes on Madison Avenue between Burton Street and 28th Street. Bicycling facilities may also be installed on Madison Avenue north to Franklin Street with future construction projects.

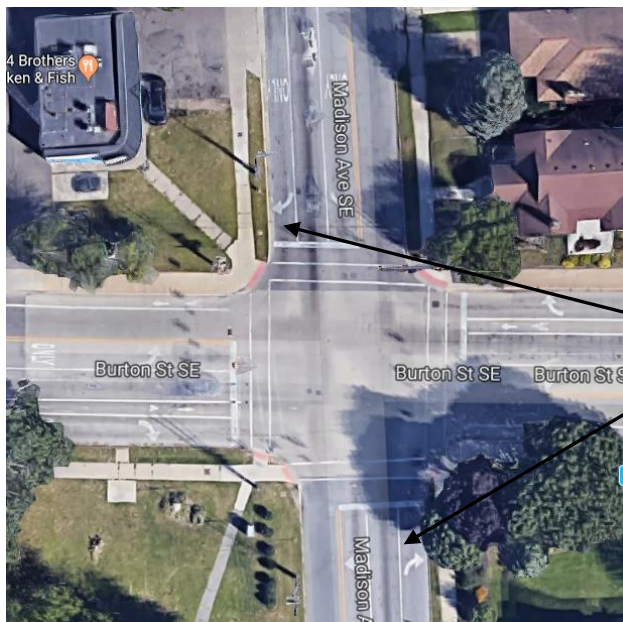
The project will also remove the right turn lanes from Madison Avenue onto Burton Street to provide bicycle lanes at the intersection. Please see the image below.



*Madison Avenue from Burton Street to Adams Street
Cross Section - Looking North*



*Madison Avenue - Burton Street Intersection
Overhead View*



These right turn lanes are being removed to provide bicycle lanes at the intersection.

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